**From:** Michael Balcorta
**To:** Daniel Cohen; Michael Haberkern
**Cc:** Jesse Silva; Eligio Lara
**Subject:** RE: Flock Safety | Multi-factor Authentication for your organization
**Date:** Tuesday, March 25, 2025 2:28:54 PM
**Attachments:** image003.png

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Flock has reached out, we will not be implementing MFA at this time. If anything changes in the future I will keep you updated.

Thank you,

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I'd like to either opt out, or turn it off after they turn it on. We can't mandate officers their personal phones.

Thank you,

Dan

*Dan Cohen, Division Commander*
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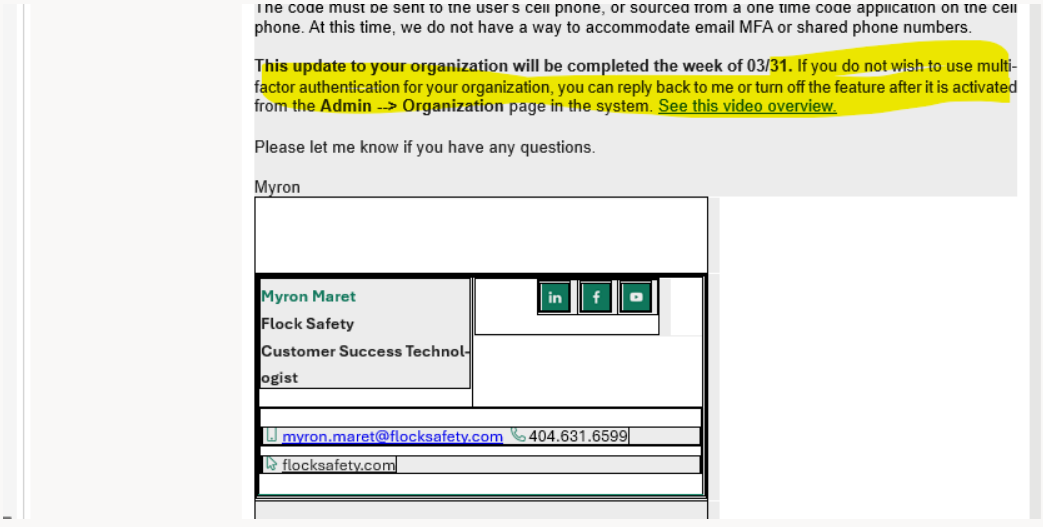
Mike looks right,

They can turn it off. Was probably a requirement for their cyber insurance they turn it on, but we can opt out.


The code must be sent to the user's cell phone, or sourced from a one time code application on the cell phone. At this time, we do not have a way to accommodate email MFA or shared phone numbers.

**This update to your organization will be completed the week of 03/31.** If you do not wish to use multi-factor authentication for your organization, you can reply back to me or turn off the feature after it is activated from the **Admin --> Organization** page in the system. See this video overview.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Myron



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**From:** Michael Balcorta <mbalcorta@cityofsantamaria.org>
**Sent:** Monday, March 24, 2025 3:58 PM
**To:** Daniel Cohen <dcohen@cityofsantamaria.org>; Michael Haberkern <mhaberkern@cityofsantamaria.org>
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Good afternoon,

I have reached out to Flock letting them know we do not with to turn this feature on at this time, especially since they only send to personal cell phones and not e-mail.

I will keep you updated on their response.

Thank you,

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Mikes –

Just read this. I have concerns. Not all our officers have department issued cell phones. This could be problematic. Looks like it goes into effect next week. It also looks like we can opt out. Is there a legal mandate to go to MFA?

Dan

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**From:** Myron Maret <myron.maret@flocksafety.com>
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**To:** Daniel Cohen <dcohen@cityofsantamaria.org>
**Subject:** Flock Safety | Multi-factor Authentication for your organization

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Hello,

My name is Myron and I work on the Customer Success Team here at Flock Safety. I wanted to let you know about a change we will be making to your Flock Safety organization.

As a part of our commitment to the safety of your data, and secure access to the Flock Safety network, we will be updating your organization to utilize multi-factor authentication (MFA). All law enforcement organizations and users will need to enable a security method that requires users to provide more than one form of verification to access their system.

Once active, your users will be prompted to set up a phone number for text message authentication or an authenticator application code the next time they log in. The user will not be able to access the system until this is completed.

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